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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD OF )  
GENERATING A FINITE ELEMENT )  
MESH FOR A THREADED FASTENER )  
AND JOINING STRUCTURE ASSEMBLY )  
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 16, 2003, please amend the  
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